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1. "The concentration camp at Kamze serves for the detention of family members of political prisoners. A total of about 1,000 men, women and children are kept in this camp. The inmates are clothed in rags. All able-bodied men, women and adolescents have to do heavy labor. The daily food ration consists of watery bean soup and 600-700 gr. of bread. A large percentage of the inmates suffer from TB and other serious diseases. Epidemics are frequent. Nevertheless, only one medical orderly is assigned to the camp.
2. "To provide manpower for the construction of an irrigation canal near Pequin-Kavaja, a forced labor camp was set up in the vicinity at the beginning of 1952. This camp is known as the Rogozhine Camp. Most of the inmates are Moslems, transferred from the Himkri camp. The inmates are either digging irrigation ditches, working on the construction of a highway or transporting stone to the construction sites. They work a minimum of 10 hours per day, from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. with one hour for lunch.
3. "A large number of forced laborers are working on the construction of an irrigation project at Kakarris on the Drin river in Scutari Province. These prisoners work in brigades, each of which is guarded by 15-20 policemen armed with tommyguns. Most of the time the inmates stand in water up to their armpits. They are severely beaten by the guards whenever they stop working for a moment.

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